

## House Resolution No. 3612

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge a momentous occasion in the life of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

**Whereas**, Opal Fern Farmer McNail, a treasured resident of Centerville, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday on July 26, 2008, with a festive celebration to be held at the Community Building in Centerville; and

**Whereas**, Opal McNail came into this world in rural Patterson on July 31, 1918, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents John Maud Farmer and Mamie Jane Cunningham Farmer, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

**Whereas**, Opal attended Centerville High School and embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married her beloved William Jesse McNail, a kind and loving gentleman with whom she shared the love and affection of five fine children; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Opal McNail enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a stellar employee of the Division of Family Services for twenty-seven years, Public Administrator for Reynolds County for twelve years, and member of the Centerville Lions Club, Centerville Alumni, Reynolds County Ambulance District and Rural Volunteer Centerville Fire Department board of directors, the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 234, and the Samaritan Shrine Chapter 24; and

**Whereas**, Opal McNail has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her five children, Roberta Joyce Morton, Johnny Allen McNail, Beverly Jean Cook, William McNail, Jr., and Barbara JoAnn Roberts; and her seven grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, now ninety years young, Opal McNail faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good life, sharing her experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those she holds most dear:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Opal McNail as she proudly celebrates ninety years of achievement, and in wishing her much peace and prosperity as she continues her journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Opal Fern Farmer McNail, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative J.C. Kuessner  
District No. 152

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3612, adopted July 14, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker